

Spring of 291

Almost two decades after the Goths' catastrophic defeat by Aurelianus and the end of their first greater kingdom, the TERVINGI are arrested for the first time. They were considered "another part of the Goths", which indicates they had split off the main tribe. In the following century, it was the TERVINGI who was meant when the Romans spoke of Goths; the eastern group was entirely forgotten.

The Romans considered it current news
that the TERVINGI had joined the
TAIFALI to fight the Vandals and
the Gepids, the Vandals were the HASDINGI
& in a few generations they had shared the
TISZA plain with the Sarmatians.

Spring 221

Scythians

TERVINGI mentioned for the 1st time;
final division of the Gothic tribes
tribe

Tervingi - Vesi & GREUTUNGI - Ostrogoths

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Not only the TERVINGI & TAI FALI but also the GEPIDS were mentioned for the 1st time in 291. They were fighting with the western "section of the Goths".

The "ORIGO GOTHICA" describes the confrontation between the Gepids under King FASTIDA and the still unified ~~brothers~~ Ostrogoths and Visigoths of King OSTRAGOTH A. The Gepids demanded land from their Gothic brothers because their own settlements in a wooded mountain

region could no longer feed them. The
Gepids had recently inflicted a devastating
defeat on the Burgundians and were accordingly
enraged. Ostrogotha rejected the demand of
FASTION, whereupon a battle took place near
the oppidum GALTIS at a river called AVITA. A
tough struggle ensued, which the Goths won
because they had the "better cause and greater
cleverness." Both groups then returned to their
homelands. (all according to Orosius' *Historia*) There
are at least 2 major problems (1) the chronology
(2) the question of which Goths engaged in the battle

Summer 241

From the early summer of 241 the ancient world had been aware of the existence of two Gothic tribes. At that time the main tribal element was still made up of "eastern" Goths. They fought along the Don with the ALANS and another tribe that either belonged to a group of nomadic horsemen of uncertain origin or was composed of East Burgundians. Thereafter the Goths of Southern Russia disappeared from view of the ancient world.

April 1, 291

A panegyric was delivered on 4/1/291
reported that the Tervingian & Thifalian warriors
had offered resistance to a Vandal - Gepid Coalition.
Both reports lead me to think of modern Transylvania